# **PugetSoundPartnership**

our sound, our community, our chance







### What is the Puget Sound Partnership?

The Puget Sound Partnership is a community-led effort of citizens, governments, tribes, scientists and businesses working together to restore and protect Puget Sound.

### What is the Partnership's goal?

Gov. Chris Gregoire and the Legislature charged the Partnership with figuring out what's wrong with Puget Sound, and creating an Action Agenda that leads to its restored health – from the end of Hood Canal to the San Juan Islands.

## How will the Partnership achieve that goal?

While the Partnership's task is ambitious, the workload can be broken down into three components.

**Develop an Action Agenda by December 2008.** The Action Agenda will be the region's roadmap for cleanup and restoration efforts for years to come.

By December 2008, we will have an Action Agenda that:

- Ensures energy and money are being focused where they will do the most good.
- Identifies major sources of pollution.
- Prioritizes cleanup and preservation efforts.
- Is based on science.
- Holds agencies and partners accountable for achieving results.

#### Promote public awareness and engagement.

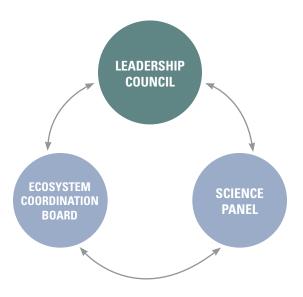
While 97 percent of those living in Puget Sound believe they have an obligation to leave a legacy of a healthy Puget Sound to our children and grandchildren, a sizeable majority also thinks Puget Sound is in excellent to good shape now.

To get more people to understand the problem – and help do something about it – the Partnership is planning and researching a public engagement effort; implementation will begin in 2009.

**Hold partners accountable.** Once the Action Agenda is implemented, the Partnership will hold its partners accountable for delivering results.

#### **How is the Partnership organized?**

- Leadership Council. The governor appointed seven leading citizens from throughout the Puget Sound to lead the Partnership. Bill Ruckelshaus serves as the Council's chair.
- Ecosystem Coordination Board. Chaired by King County Executive Ron Sims, the 27 members of this Board represent cities, counties, ports, tribes, state and federal agencies, the Legislature, and business and environmental interests. Once the Action Agenda is adopted, they will help implement it.
- Science Panel. A nine-member Science
   Panel is providing independent scientific
   advice and expertise to the Leadership
   Council. University of Washington Tacoma's
   Joel Baker is chair.



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#### **Leadership Council**

Bill Ruckelshaus (Chair)

Billy Frank, Jr.

**Diana Gale** 

Martha Kongsgaard (Vice Chair)

Dan O'Neal

**Steve Sakuma** 

**Bill Wilkerson** 

### **Ecosystem Coordination Board**

**ACTION AREAS** 

Strait of Juan de Fuca Steve Tharinger Clallam County Board of Commissioners

San Juan Islands **Bob Kelly** *Nooksack Indian Tribe* 

Whidbey Island **Gary Rowe**Skagit County Administrator

North Central Puget Sound Steve Bauer Kitsap County Board of Commissioners

South Central Puget Sound **Ron Sims** (Chair) *King County Executive* 

South Puget Sound **Dan Wrye** Pierce County

Hood Canal

Teri King Washington Sea Grant **BUSINESS INTERESTS** 

Samuel Anderson Master Builders Association of King and Snohomish Counties

SMALL-BUSINESS INTERESTS

Bill Dewey Taylor Shellfish

ENVIRONMENTAL INTERESTS

Kathy Fletcher People for Puget Sound

Jacques White
The Nature Conservancy

TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS

**David Troutt** *Nisqually Tribe* 

Randy Kinley Lummi Nation

Dave Herrera (Vice Chair) Skokomish Tribe COUNTIES

**Kevin Ranker** San Juan County Council

CITIES

Jeanne Burbidge Federal Way City Council

PORT DISTRICTS

John Calhoun Port Angeles Port Commission

WASHINGTON STATE AGENCIES

**Jeff Koenings** *Director, WA Department of Fish and Wildlife* 

**Jay Manning** *Director, WA Department of Ecology* 

**Doug Sutherland**Commissioner of Public
Lands, WA Department of
Natural Resources

FEDERAL AGENCIES

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**Tom Eaton** *Environmental Protection Agency* 

Ken Berg U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

LEGISLATIVE CAUCUS

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Phil Rockefeller D, 23rd District WA Senate

Christine Rolfes D, 23rd District WA House of Representatives

**Bob Sump** *R, 7th District WA House of Representatives* 

#### **Science Panel**

Joel Baker (Chair) University of Washington Tacoma

**Jan Newton** (Vice Chair) *University of Washington* 

**Guy Gelfenbaum**U.S. Geological Survey

**Robert Johnston** *U.S. Navy* 

**Timothy Quinn**Washington Dept. of Fish and Widlife

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